

BRYAN'S FIGHTING WAR NOTE

Secretary to Contest to Last for Modification.

Stands Firmly Against Making Mockery of Arbitration.

'ULTIMATUM IS INCONSISTENT'

Secretary's Tardiness at Cabinet Meeting Hints Split.

Premier's Attitude Comes as Surprise to Wilson.

Washington, June 8.—President Wilson called the announcement at 1:15 this afternoon that the German note was complete. To Secretary Tumulty he let it be known that he "hoped" that it would go forward tomorrow.

But his cabinet was not unanimous in its approval of the document. And the man whose name it will bear, if the president's plans are completed—Secretary of State Bryan—left the cabinet meeting determined to fight for a modification right up to the minute the note is placed on the cables.

Bryan believes the United States is on record for arbitration, so as to make it mockery to send Germany a document which he considers savors of an ultimatum. And although the majority of the cabinet was against him today, he carried his persuasive powers from the cabinet meeting to the University club, where he and his fellow members had lunch.

The Bryan position came as a complete surprise to the president. In the notes that have preceded the one under discussion, the secretary has taken the position that the United States should invite arbitration. He has called attention to the fact that this country was on record as unalterably opposed to war and pledged in every honorable means to prevent it.

Bryan Shows Mettle.

But in every instance he has stopped short of any further fight when the

LEARN ALL FACTS

Governor and Attorney General to K. C. Election Probe.

"People Ought to Know," Promises S. M. Brewster.

Kansas City, June 8.—Governor Capper and S. M. Brewster, attorney general of Kansas, came here today in connection with the Kansas City, Kan., election investigation which J. L. Smalley, special attorney general, has been conducting.

The two officials immediately went to Mr. Smalley's office for a conference. Governor Capper said shortly after he took office he began to come to him about the conduct of the local elections. He believed, he said, that the information he had before him was sufficient to make a probe of local conditions. The governor said he expected to remain here two or three days. Mr. Brewster said they would look over the affidavits that have been taken in the investigation.

"Anyone who wishes to make any explanation or offer any new facts will have a chance," said the attorney general. "If any wrong has been done here the people ought to know it. On the other hand, if certain conditions in the largest city in the state have been mismanaged that ought to be brought out. The state officials are eager to learn the facts."

At the conclusion of the conference with Mr. Smalley, Governor Capper announced he and Mr. Brewster will begin a new probe of conditions this afternoon. With the affidavits made before Mr. Smalley as his guide, the governor plans to call witnesses before him and go over all the evidence adduced previously.

One of the principal questions to be gone into will be the actual conditions existing in Kansas City, Kan., on election day, including no certain election of precinct 6 A, where it is alleged irregularities existed.

Weather Forecast for Kansas.

Generally warmer in west portion tonight and Wednesday.

LED CHARGE WITH CANE.

Cairo, June 8.—In recent dispatches from this place mention was made of the nameless hero of Sed-el-Bahr—a certain colonel who, after the difficult landing operations there, and subsequent to the assault on the fortress, led the men in a gallant bayonet charge up a hill. All he carried was a small cane, but a band he wore on his arm apparently was that of a staff officer. He walked with the bayonet open under a continuous fire talking to the men, cheering them up and rallying them together. When they were all ready to charge he placed himself in front of them all, and armed simply with this small cane, led the charge up the hill. The moral effect of the officer's action was great. The men charged up the hill and cleared their enemy from his position but the unknown officer lost his life. It now transpires that the officer was Major Doughty-Wylie and the hill on which he met his death is now known as "Doughty-Wylie's Hill."

FEW CHANGES IN NOTE; GOES FORWARD TOMORROW

Washington, June 8.—After two hours' discussion of the note to Germany at the cabinet meeting today Secretary Tumulty, at the direction of President Wilson, made this announcement:

"The note was gone over and discussed and put in final form. It probably will go forward to Berlin tomorrow."

The cabinet members uniformly refused to discuss the note.

It was learned definitely that only a few slight changes in the phraseology were made at the cabinet meeting. The note was taken up in the form in which it came after Secretary Bryan had spent several hours on it after his conference yesterday with the president. Cabinet members said that while possibly a few words might be changed, it would go forward to Berlin in practically the form agreed upon today.

IT'S REUNION DAY

Alumni and Former Students of Washburn Here.

Greatest Gathering in History of Old Ichabod.

"OLD TIMES" SESSION TODAY

Afternoon Reception for Students in White House.

Historical Pageant Is Big Feature Tomorrow.

This is "Reunion Day" for Washburn college in celebrating her fiftieth commencement. Never before were so many alumni and former students of Washburn gathered for commencement festivities.

A special "old times" session of the Washburn Alumni association was held in MacVicar chapel this morning. There were historical and reminiscent talks by former instructors and students. Early-day experiences, pranks which worried the primness of pioneer faculties, stories of the evolution of the Washburn campus from a bleak pasture to what it is today, reminiscences of Peter MacVicar, tales of gridiron battles, and other interesting and amusing stories were told.

On this occasion all collegians, whether from Washburn or other colleges and universities will assemble. Speechmaking has been the feature of the evening, and one of the big events of commencement week is the intercollegiate banquet which will be held in Masonic temple tonight.

A historical pageant of Washburn is the big feature for tomorrow. It will take place in the afternoon. A full dress rehearsal was held today. Prairie schooners, ox teams and an underground railway are a part of the historical replica.

SUAVE THIEF CRIES

Politest Burglar Sobs Out Plea for Another Chance.

"FIFTEEN YEARS IN PRISON," SAYS STERN JUDGE IN REPLY.

Kansas City, Mo., June 8.—Frank Smith, Kansas City's "politest burglar," entered a plea of guilty in the criminal court today.

"Judge, give me another chance," he sobbed.

"Fifteen years in the penitentiary," said the judge.

Smith is 27 years old. The police say he robbed fifty homes in Kansas City the last two months. Yesterday he held a reception in the detective room at police headquarters, adding victims in identifying their property, which the police had recovered from pawnshops.

Only one of the pawnbrokers who received the stolen goods is held by the police. Three others from whom the goods were recovered, valued at thousands of dollars' worth of jewelry stolen by Smith are out on bond. Their trials on a charge of vagrancy came up in the municipal court today, but they were granted continuances until later in the week.

No state charges have been filed against any of the dealers.

ADMIRAL AUBERT DEAD

Illness Proves Fatal to Chief of French Naval Staff.

FOUR MORE SHIPS SUNK

Norwegians Lose Three Vessels and Belgians One.

SIDE LIGHTS ON GAS RATES

Secretary of Topeka Company Gives His Testimony.

L. G. Treleven Appears Before the Utilities Commission.

HE FAVORS A READJUSTMENT

High Price for Small Consumers and Low for Large.

Thing Most Needed Is an Adequate Supply, He Says.

Before the public utilities commission today L. G. Treleven, Light & Power company of Topeka, declared that the new rate schedules proposed by receivers, for the Kansas Natural gas company, were not equitable to the distributing companies and suggested a high rate to small consumers, with a low rate to large consumers. Treleven would use natural gas in his conclusions regarding the value of gas to consumers, the rates he believed they would pay, relative value as compared to coal and kerosene and his conclusions with Chairman Bristow as to the distribution of expenses.

The Treleven testimony brought out many sidelights as to conditions of the gas company in Topeka. He told of the slump in gross receipts and stated that the average consumer would use natural gas in his home at 35 to 40 cents per thousand feet if assured of an adequate supply. The gas business reduced to use for cooking and lighting only, said Treleven, would necessitate a rate similar to that charged for artificial gas.

Direct examination of the local gas company receiver was conducted by T. F. Doran of Topeka. Under examination by Doran, the witness said that the rates proposed by the Kansas Natural in its application for an increase in rates, would not fit conditions as faced by local distributing companies.

The receiver testified that the distribution under a sliding scale when the amount of gas you are to receive is uncertain," said Treleven. Then he proceeded to tell the commission that an increase in rates naturally meant a dropping off in the number of patrons. Such situations, he said,

NEUTRAL SHELLED

German Submarine Tries to Sink Rescue Boat.

NORWEGIANS LOSE THREE SHIPS AT HANDS OF GERMANS.

London, June 8.—The Norwegian vessels, Trudvang, Glittertind Superb, have been sunk by German submarines.

Trudvang was hailed by a German submarine when off St. Anne's head. The captain was ordered to bring his papers aboard the submarine, which then opened fire and sank the vessel in twenty minutes to take to the boats. The submarine then sent twelve shells into the Trudvang.

The shooting brought out a patrol boat from Milfordhaven, which picked up the skipper and crew, numbering 13, from the boats.

During the operation the submarine attempted vainly to torpedo the patrol boat. The men from the Trudvang were landed at Milfordhaven.

Trawler to Bottom.

Hull, June 8.—5:55 p. m.—The trawler Pentland has been sunk in the North sea by shell fire from a German submarine. The crew was saved.

MORE SUCH DAYS!

Siege of Dismal Weather Has Been Broken in Kansas.

Old Sol is smiling today. The sky is clear over the entire state. The three weeks' siege of dismal, rainy weather has been broken. There has been no rain in the state in the last 24 hours. The forecast calls for a continuance of the fair weather tonight and Wednesday. Warmer weather is predicted for the western part of the state. Crop conditions over the state are excellent. Temperatures today are below normal. This morning the mercury hovered around 72 but began to rise and by this afternoon it was only a few degrees below the normal mark.

This morning the river was at a stage of 12.7—a rise of one foot due to the flooded stage of the Solomon river in western Kansas. It will not rise more than one foot more until it begins falling again.

Hourly reading:

7 o'clock	69	11 o'clock	70
8 o'clock	68	12 o'clock	72
9 o'clock	64	1 o'clock	74
10 o'clock	67	2 o'clock	76
		3 o'clock	74

KING SUDDENLY WORSE

Atheus Dispatch Says Constantine's Condition Is Grave.

SHOOTS HUSBAND.

Mechanic's Wife Says She Fired Bullet Intended for Her.

CROWD GREET TOPEKA TRADERS

Jobbers and Manufacturers Out on Motor Trip.

Reception for Local Boosters at Every "Hesitation."

MET BY CHIEF OF POLICE

Silver Lake Took No Chances With Our Strangers.

Rossville Sent Delegation Out to Meet Auto Tourists.

To carry harmony to retailers, buyers and consumers between Topeka and Wamego, approximately 200 manufacturers and jobbers left Topeka at 7:30 o'clock this morning. For the first time in the history of the Topeka Commercial club the annual trip was made in autos. Prior to this year a special train has been chartered by the club.

The idea of making trade trips by automobile was inaugurated by the Commercial club of Herington nine years ago and has struck a popular chord.

Harmony between the manufacturer, the jobber, the retailer and the consumer was the atmosphere which surrounded today's run. Practically all Topeka's progressive manufacturing and jobbing concerns were represented.

DREAM OF EMPIRE

Extension of Monarchy Beyond the Old Frontiers.

KING OF BAVARIA GLAD TO SETTLE WITH ENEMIES.

Amsterdam, June 8.—"Extension of the German empire beyond the old frontiers to secure it against future attack" was predicted by King Ludwig of Bavaria in an address yesterday before the Canal league, according to a telegram from Munich. His majesty said:

"You can't make an equitable distribution under a sliding scale when the amount of gas you are to receive is uncertain," said Treleven. Then he proceeded to tell the commission that an increase in rates naturally meant a dropping off in the number of patrons. Such situations, he said,

VILLA AT TUXPAM

One British Citizen Killed and Four Are Wounded.

OREGON LOSES ARM IN FIGHT THAT WINS HIM LEON.

Washington, June 8.—Advices to the state department today from Vera Cruz transmitted a wireless message from Tampico reporting the capture of Tuxpam by Villa forces Sunday. One British citizen was killed and four were wounded.

S. P. Jones was killed. Thomas Mallard, Mrs. Mallard, their infant child, and A. T. Graves were wounded while seeking refuge.

Consul Sullivan at Vera Cruz reported today that General Obregon's victory over the Villa forces at Leon appeared to be confirmed.

He said it was reported Obregon had lost his right arm in the fighting.

COMING BY MOTOR

Missouri Farmers Apply for Work in Kansas Harvest.

Plan to Make the Trip in an Automobile Truck.

Ten harvest hands from Missouri are coming to the district by motor truck. In a letter today from Fred Feldman of Warrensburg, Mo., J. C. Mohler, secretary of the state board of agriculture, is notified that ten Warrensburg men want work in the harvest fields and that they will ride to the harvest in Feldman's big motor truck.

It is the intention of the men to ride to the wheat belt in the big car and later to use the motor in hauling the grain to market. The men want to locate in the center of the wheat belt several miles from the railroad station. Such a location will make valuable the motor truck and afford Feldman a return for the use of his car.

All of the ten men in the party are practical farmers and able and willing to do a full day's work in the wheat belt. The letter asked for information as to the district to visit. The men want to make certain their employment before leaving Warrensburg. Mohler has submitted the communication to the state department of labor.

KANSAS ITSELF MUST OBEY LAW

State Board of Health Takes Officers to Task.

Sanitary Rulings Shall Apply to Osawatimie.

ORDERS TO SEVERAL CITIES

Improvement in Health Conditions Is Demanded.

One Town Using the Sewer Water of Another.

Not only the towns of Kansas, but the state of Kansas itself must observe the sanitary laws and rulings, according to a decision this afternoon by the state board of health which is in session at the state house. The board not only ordered several Kansas towns to improve their sanitary conditions, but directed the state to improve its water supply at Osawatimie, state hospital, and to furnish inmates of the hospital with pure water.

The board's action is one of the few cases on record where a state board has told the state that it must obey the law. For months the state has been issuing orders against the common drinking cup, germs, microbes, bugs and general conditions that needed improving from a strictly sanitary standpoint. Now the state itself is to obey the law.

Down at Osawatimie the board of health recently told the city that it must filter the water taken from the Marias deer Cygne river and used for drinking purposes. The city complied with the order. The board then pointed out that a few rods below the city intake was the state's pumping plant for the insane hospital. The water was taken from the river and pumped directly to the hospital, where it was used for cooking and drinking purposes without having been filtered. This afternoon the board of health considered the case and told the state to install a filtering plant.

Sanitary orders affecting the cities of Memphis, Chattanooga, Nashville, Louisville, St. Louis, St. Paul, St. Peter, and St. Cloud were issued. In the Neodesha case, the city was directed to make other arrangements concerning the purification of its sewerage. At present the sewers drain into the Verdigris river a short distance above Cherryvale, which has promptly used the Verdigris water for domestic purposes.

MOVE FOR PEACE

Washington Attaches Great Importance to Villa's Action.

Concrete Action to Follow Wilson's Warning Soon.

Washington, June 8.—Government officials today viewed with keen interest efforts of General Francisco Villa to meet General Carranza in conference to consider President Wilson's recent communication demanding a settlement of Mexican affairs.

This move on the part of the northern leader was considered by officials as the most important Mexican development since the president's statement.

Villa's Cabinet Studies Note.

El Paso, June 8.—Consideration of the contents of the forthcoming reply to President Wilson's warning was to be undertaken today by members of Villa's cabinet at Aguas Calientes, according to dispatches received here last night from Col. Enrique Perez Ruiz.

It was also expected Villa's advisers would discuss an invitation to General Carranza to agree on a neutral territory to consider suggestions for the pacification of Mexico contained in President Wilson's note.

These documents might be completed and reach the border was not intimated.

Mexicans Slay Texas Ranger.

Marathon, Tex., June 8.—Texas Ranger Lee Burdette was shot and killed near Pabson, Tex., last night in a pistol battle with three Mexicans, two of whom he seriously wounded. Both the wounded Mexicans are expected to die. The third was being pursued by posse today. Burdette's home was in Austin, was trying to arrest the men.

LAST FOR INDIANS.

Sioux City Plays Final Game Here This Afternoon.

The Lineup.

Sioux City.—
Cooney, 2b.
Cochran, 3b.
Bostick, ss.
Kane, 1b.
Callahan, rf.
Hensling, 3b.
Young, ss.
Clarke, cf.
Rapp, p.
Doyle, p.
Umpire—Parent.

Bert Bugs Grover was Manager Jackson's choice this afternoon as a pitcher for the last game of the Sioux City series. For the first time since the Topeka team came home, weather conditions were favorable and both clubs were in better spirits.

Tonight Sioux City goes to Lincoln and Des Moines will open a four game series here tomorrow.

Attack on Conduct of War Promptly Followed by Suppression.

Paris, June 8.—The government has ordered the seizure of the newspaper La Guerre Sociale, edited by Gustave Here, owing to an article not approved by the censor in which he violently attacked the conduct of the war.

VICTORIA CROSS TO MAN WHO DESTROYED ZEPPELIN

London, June 8.—Reginald A. J. Warneford, the young Canadian sub-lieutenant in the royal navy, who yesterday in an aeroplane attacked and wrecked a Zeppelin dirigible over Belgium, was today given the Victoria cross.

Warneford's exploit marks the first time a Zeppelin has been brought to earth by a monoplane. The Canadian aviator sighted the German airship over Belgium and at once mounted to attack it. By a brilliant flight he obtained a position above it and dropped incendiary bombs. His aim was good and the Zeppelin crashed to the ground and burned. The members of her crew, twenty-eight men, were killed.

King George sent the following telegram to Lieutenant Warneford: "I most heartily congratulate you upon your splendid achievement yesterday in which you, single handed, destroyed an enemy Zeppelin. I have much pleasure in conferring upon you the Victoria cross for this gallant act." (Signed) "GEORGE R. I."

ELLIOTT IS NAMED

Topekan Is Chosen Trustee of Washburn College.

Well Known Financier Honored by Local School.

DR. P. P. WOMER IS PRESIDENT

St. Paul Educator, Author and Lecturer to Topeka.

Plans to Take Care of Washburn's Future Here.



Charles S. Elliott, Chosen Trustee of Washburn College Today.

C. S. Elliott was born at Winterset, Iowa, and was educated at Topeka high school and Warrensburg Normal. He came here in 1878. At the close of his school career he entered the service of the Santa Fe railway in the Topeka general offices and was later secretary of the state board of railroad commissioners.

For two terms, Mr. Elliott was city treasurer. He organized the Capital Building & Loan association in 1893 and has been secretary of the company since that time. For twelve years he was paymaster general of the Kansas National Guard. He is also interested in the Shawnee Agency and is a director of the Central National bank.

Mr. Elliott has always taken an active interest in civic affairs and the promotion of Washburn college. He is a former president of the Commercial club.

Elliott fills the vacancy left by T. B. Sweet. The latter is made an honorary trustee.

Dr. P. P. Womer of St. Paul, Minn., is the new president of Washburn. After a search of two years for a

WHEAT IN TUMBLE

Drop in Primary Markets Reflected on Change.

Sharp Decline Follows in Wake of Peace Rumors.

Chicago, June 8.—Peace rumors caused a drop of ten cents per bushel in wheat at Winnipeg yesterday and as a result there was a sharp decline on the local board of trade at today's opening.

July wheat opened at \$1.10, 4 1/2 lower than Saturday's close, there having been no market because of the judicial election.

September wheat opened at \$1.07 1/2, 3 cents below Saturday's close.

Court Blocks Railway

Refuses to Dismiss Suits to Recover Coast Oil Lands.

Los Angeles, June 8.—Motions to dismiss suits instituted by the government to recover from the Southern Pacific railway oil sands in Kern county valued at \$320,000,000 have been denied by Judge Benjamin F. Bledsoe of the United States district court.

BILLION BUSHEL WHEAT HARVEST NOW IN SIGHT

Greatest Yield in History of Country Is Forecast.

Area Planted to Both Totals 59,417,000 Acres.

OATS MAKE FINE SHOWING

Estimated Total Production Reported 1,288,000,000 Bushels.

Barley, 94.6, Is Substantially Above Ten-Year Average.

Washington, June 8.—The greatest wheat crop the country ever has known is in prospect for the coming harvest. In its forecast today, based on the condition of winter and spring wheat on June 1, the federal crop reporting board placed the prospective yield at 950,000,000 bushels. With continued good growing conditions the crop might reach a billion bushels.

Of the great yield the bulk is from winter wheat planted last fall on the greatest acreage ever sown. The total of that class of wheat is placed at 676,000,000, which would be 9,000,000 bushels under last year's record crop. Of spring wheat, 270,000,000 bushels are forecast. That amount would be 66,000,000 bushels over the record crop of 1912, but greater, however, than last year and the year before.

Spring wheat—Area planted, 19,248,000 acres, compared with 17,533,000 last year. Condition, 55.8 per cent of a normal, compared with 95.5 last year, and 93.8 the 10-year average. Indicated yield, 14.1 bushels per acre, compared with 11.1 last year and 13.3 the 10-year average. Estimated total production, 274,000,000 bushels, compared with 206,025,000 last year, and 245,000,000 the year before.

Winter Wheat—Area planted 40,169,000 acres, compared with 36,008,000 last year. Condition, 55.8 per cent of a normal, compared with 92.9 on May 1 this year, 92.7 on June 1, last year, and 82.3 the 10-year average. Indicated yield, 14.1 bushels per acre, compared with 11.1 last year and 13.3 the 10-year average. Estimated total production, 274,000,000 bushels, compared with 206,025,000 last year, and 245,000,000 the year before.

IN BIG OFFENSIVE

Paris Reports Steady Advance North of Arras.

Germans in Counter-Attacks Declared Heavy Losers.

London, June 8.—Virtually the entire western line of battle, except those portions held by the Belgians and the British, has been the scene of what would appear to be a series of offensive movements initiated by the French. In the region of Arras the French have extended the area of their attack, while they are pressing all along the front from the angle of the Aisne and the Oise in a northerly direction as far as the British positions near La Bassée, where the British forces are lying apparently quiescent.

Advance Move Forward.

For the last three weeks the French have been advancing slowly, but steadily, in the country immediately north of Arras. Arras, however, has determined resistance from the formidable German works known as "The Labyrinth," part of which, however, is now in their control. The French have been gathering in prisoners. At Hebuterne they have taken 500 and at Soissons 150 more.

Desperate German counter attacks, according to the French report, have been made, but without success and with terrible losses to the attackers. These German efforts, the announcement makes but brief reference to events on the western front, merely recording the repulses on French attacks.

Rivers figure prominently in the reports from both sides. From the eastern front the Russians claim to have pushed their offensives into the Rumanian front near Kolomea, while Petrograd has admitted the advance of the Austro-German across the river Dniester, in Galicia.

War Exchanged Five Times.

The river Dnubay changed hands five times in one day, with the Russians finally in possession.

The Isonzo is the scene of the most important Italian advance into Austrian territory.

There has been little news with regard to this Italian movement from Vienna, but the Italians appear to be advancing against the Isonzo in strong force.

Hungary is experiencing a political crisis similar to that which has just come to an end in England. Although the opposition leaders have expressed their assent, controversies which antedate the war have thus far prevented the formation of a coalition cabinet.

OHIOAN TO MOTHER CHURCH.

Boston, June 8.—The First Church of Christ, Scientist, Mother church of the Christian Science denomination, has elected Edward A. Merritt of Cleveland, Ohio, president.

WOMEN AS MOTORMEN.

Berlin, June 8.—Women as motormen on the Berlin street cars, in addition to the hundreds already serving as conductors while their husbands are in the field, are now in prospect. Women also are to replace men at the various railroad stations, where the main duty is to punch the tickets of travelers as they make for their trains, or take them up as they leave the platforms. The latter work is not strenuous and it is believed it can be performed easily by the women.